

Police Force Evaluated for the Better

18 Apr 1985

Dear Editor:

In rebuttle to the article, Enough is Enough in the Wasatch Wave 4-11-85, I have a few statements that should be brought to attention. In the first place, I would like to see proof of wasteful practice in law enforcement within the Heber City Police Department. Every Heber City Officer works for three times less pay than what he is worth and donates 1/2 of his working time to the Heber City residents without asking for additional pay. Never once has a Heber City Police Officer refused to provide assistance within the city limits or assistance in the county when asked.

Concerning double taxation. There is no such thing. Heber City residents would be paying the same amount of taxes for one department as for two. If the power struggle with Wasatch County Sheriff's Office would end and the two departments were left to do their independent jobs, instead of worrying about who is better than the other, the taxpayers money would be used to its fullest extent in adequate police coverage.

In the topic of professionalism.

I feel that any men that can work under the pressure as the Heber City Police Department has in the past few months, during the recent investigation by Wasatch County's unfounded and unproven accusations, are proven professional police officers and no better will be found anywhere. Heber City Police Department has always provided 24 hour coverage not only to the Heber City residents but also to the Wasatch County residents up until approximately seven months ago when the Wasatch County Sheriff's office began their 24 hour coverage. If consolidation occurs, I wonder who will suffer with lack of coverage. Heber City residents or those county residents in the Wallsburg, Soldier Creek, Center Creek and other county areas.

County and City residents may also be interested to know that through the County Court they have been paying a Peace Officer Training Tax for non-moving traffic violations ranging from \$2.00-\$6.00 which as of 1981 has not been in effect. This law, passed in 1981 by the Utah State Legislature (Utah Code 67-15-21) states that moving violations but

not non-moving violations such as Expired Inspection or Registration, no or Expired Driver's License, etc. are not required to pay that additional tax. Think of the amount of money that has been mis-appropriated since

1981 until the present time.

"Are you sure you want consolidation? This might cause the loss of a few more select police officers."

George Huggard

Police Officers Thanked

Letter to the Editor:

In the regularly scheduled Council meeting of the Heber City Council, held April 10, 1985, Councilman Louis R. Jackson moved to have the letter from the Ambulance Association published in the Wasatch Wave, with a note of thanks and appreciation to the Heber City Police Department Officers, for the fine work they are doing, especially under the adverse conditions which they have had to work the past two months. Scott W. Wright made the second to the motion which passed with all councilmen voting Aye.

Chief Henley
Heber City Police Dept.
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Heber City, Utah 84032

Dear Chief Henley:

The Wasatch County Ambulance Association would like to extend our thanks to you and your staff for the back up and help you give to us. Many times an extra hand makes all the difference and we have found your support extremely valuable. We want you to know we enjoy working with you and appreciate all you do.

Sincerely,
Susan Messick, President
Wasatch County Ambulance

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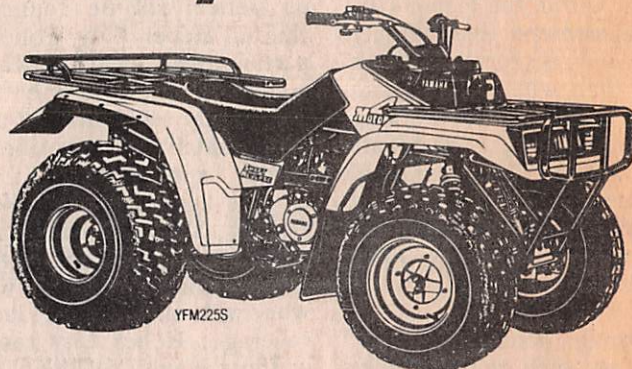
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Heber City Police

Announces Bicycle

Safety Program

25 April 1985

A Bicycle Safety Program will be held Saturday, May 4, 1985, at 10 a.m. in the parking lot at Pizza Hut for all bicycle riders from the ages of 13 and under. Stations will be set up to explain different types of bicycle safety ranging from mechanical, street and sidewalk, skill and proper registration. Prizes will be given away and special guest, McGruff, will be there. The program is being sponsored by the Heber City Police Department and Pizza Hut. Registration forms can be picked up at Pizza Hut, 750 So. Main, Heber, April 25 through May 3, 1985.

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